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Daniel Is. Demonstration April 5

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Please send me the current form to apply for a demonstration permit.

It would be nice if the form was set up so you could fill it in by typing. That has been possible for over 20 years. All my forms for my organization work that way. You get a clean, typewritten form.

You can even set it up so the contents are automatically accessioned into your database.

We're planning 100 demonstrators on the public right of way outside the Office of Nancy Mace on Daniel Island in two shifts of 100, 1 pm to 2:30 and 2:30 to 4 pm. on April 5, 2025. I have Erin McKee, a 65 year old Union Organizer with 40 years experience managing safety and permit compliance. I'll be present as well. Speakers and program will be under the management of Merrill Chapman.

There shouldn't be any problems.

Facebook event link at <https://www.facebook.com/share/1ZFtMUBBHf/>

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Content of Facebook Event Page Linked to Email sent to City of Charleston Police Department on March 13

31 people responded

Event by **Lowcountry Up is Good PAC**

900 Island Park Drive Suite 260 Daniel Island, South Carolina 29492

Duration: 3 hr

Public · Anyone on or off Facebook

Demonstration action being planned for Saturday, April 5 near the Daniel Island office of US Representative Nancy Mace. The demonstration will include delegations from a coalition of human rights and economic justice organizations from the 1st Congressional District and Lowcountry including those committed to healthcare, reproductive rights, civil rights, the living wage, education, affordable housing and transit. The demonstration will prove local opposition to the devastating cuts planned to these programs in the Trump/Musk budget which Mace has voted for in a preliminary bill.

The Organizers, Best Friends of Lowcountry Transit, Inc. and Lowcountry Up is Good, PAC, Inc. plan to seek a permit for the demonstration from the City of Charleston Police Department. No violence or destruction of property is planned as part of this peaceful demonstration. Participants will be required to sign up online prior to participating. An overflow standby area will be established, and the demonstration will be three hours long, conducted in two 90 minute shifts. An after event is being planned. Posts regarding this action will include hashtag #chsresist

Education advocates will be asked to wear red; healthcare & reproductive rights advocates, blue; Transit advocates green; housing advocates brown; labor advocates yellow (reflective vests) and gender identity advocates pridewear.

This demonstration is scheduled to take place during the finals of the Credit One Charleston Open, the largest women's only tennis tournament in North America. It will be conducted on public property in accordance with the rights and privileges reserved to citizens under the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States and with the supervision and help of a team of Experience, SC Licensed Attorneys trained in Civil Rights and Social Justice Advocacy issues, led by William J. Hamilton, III, Lowcountry Attorney, activist and writer.

The name of the Demo comes from Tennis Nomenclature. An Ace is a shot the opposing player can't return and chip and charge is an aggressive move where a player hits the ball and charges towards the net. We plan to be strong in our support of social justice.

This demonstration is scheduled to commemorate the 158th anniversary of a demonstration in downtown Charleston where African Americans and their supporters confronted a city guard (the police department of that era) composed of former Confederate soldiers at the four corners of law. This confrontation was a part of the two month long successful struggle to desegregate Charleston's then new, horse drawn streetcars. During the demonstration (also called a riot by some observers) the US Army of Occupation turned out a company of Black Federal soldiers to protect the African Americans and preserve order. No one was killed during the tense confrontation, which took place in the first weeks of Federally enforced reconstruction. Mary Bowers, the Rosa Parks of Charleston would go on to help lead the struggle, demanding the right to ride on Meeting street two weeks later and ultimately winning it for all Charlestonians in early May.

You can read a detailed account of this and other related events in spring of 1867 in Voices of Black South Carolina by Damon L. Fordham, pp. 29-33, History Press, 2009.

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